

Keeping in Touch

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the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches

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General Council Focuses on Local Churches

By Rev. Kittredge Cherry

General Council made a fresh commitment to serve the local UFMCC churches at its meeting Oct. 6-12 in Los Angeles, CA.

The vision and specific plans for achieving it were developed during two days of strategic planning in executive session, facilitated by management consultants Ms. Lillie Brock and Ms. Mary Ann Salerno, co-founders of Interchange International Inc. of Falls Church, VA.



Envisioning UFMCC's future at the October General Council meeting are, clockwise from front right, Rev. Nancy Wilson, vice moderator, Rev. Troy Perry, moderator, and Revs. Darlene Garner, Bob Arthur, Greg Smith, Willem Hein and Marcie Wexler.

"This was a ground-breaking meeting, the first General Council meeting of the next 25 years of UFMCC," said Rev. Nancy Wilson, vice moderator of UFMCC and chair of the transition team formed during the strategy session. "The timing was perfect. With the help of outside facilitators, we tackled tough issues and problems,

taking a long, hard look at the mission and work of General Council and our Headquarters staff."

Overall, she concluded, "the local church was the winner in this strategy meeting."

The meeting generated much enthusiasm among all the participants. "What caught the excitement and passion of so

many people around the table was agreement that quality service to local churches is the General Council's highest priority," said Rev. Don Eastman, treasurer and second vice moderator.

The strategy session began with an exploration of the role

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MCC Marches For Justice in Mississippi

Renewed spiritual power and a gay/lesbian community center resulted from the Sept. 18 march of 500 people, including many MCCers, in Ocean Springs, MS.

This historic rally was the first of its kind in Mississippi.

"It was one of those moments we'll never forget," said Rev. Tam Schult, pastor of MCC of the Gulf Coast in nearby Biloxi. "It reminded me of those civil rights marches back in the 1960s in Mississippi that I saw on television." She described how uniformed police lined the streets of Ocean Springs, population 14,000, as the protestors

marched past. Thirteen businesses flew rainbow flags to symbolize their support.

The march was organized after the local First Baptist church asked the city of Ocean Springs to prevent the creation of G.L. Friendly, the first lesbian/gay community services center in southern Mississippi. MCC Gulf Coast began receiving death threats. Rev. Schult, who is also vice president of G.L. Friendly, and others overcame any fears and formed a Gulf Coast chapter of the Mississippi Gay and Lesbian Task Force to call for a boycott of Ocean Springs and organize

the march and rally.

MCC people comprised the largest group in the march. They came from churches in Biloxi and Jackson, MS; Mobile, AL; New Orleans, LA; and Pensacola, Tampa and St. Petersburg, FL. They were joined by Rev. Jay Neely, Gulf Lower Atlantic District Coordinator, who also spoke at the rally.

As the MCC contingent passed First Baptist Church, one of its members spoke to them from the sidelines, saying, "I'm sorry this ever happened. I apologize."

Since the march, MCC of the Gulf Coast has been meeting in

the G.L. Friendly center for worship. The threatening phone calls have ceased. And a bequest of \$100,000 was received to start community centers in Ocean Springs and two nearby towns, Rev. Schult said.

"Those Baptists did us a favor," Rev. Schult said. "It's the best thing that could have happened." □

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Christian Social Action

Neighbors Protest MCC

A handful of angry neighbors used chain saws and weed eaters to try to drown out the first worship service of New Life MCC Oct. 10 on its new property in Charlotte, NC, said Rev. Bob Darst, pastor.

Neighbors also tried to disrupt the service by draping the New Life MCC sign with a black wreath marked "rest in peace."

"I asked the congregation if they wanted to move farther away from the noise, and they said no. I was really proud of them," Rev. Darst said.

Opposition continued the following Sunday with similar tactics, including the posting of a sign near the church marked "Gay Crossing," surrounded by black balloons that read, "Life is a bitch, then you die." The church received one death threat. In addition, local residents are suing the zoning board of adjustment in relation to MCC's purchase of the building.

Neighbors began voicing opposition to New Life MCC after learning that its primary ministry is in the lesbian and gay community, according to an article in the *Charlotte Observer*.

"The lawsuit is what has us the most worried," Rev. Darst said. "This wasn't something we had in our plans — or our budget." The church has received \$300 toward legal costs, which are expected to reach \$3,000. Contributions may be sent to "Legal Fund" at New Life MCC, 2644 Chesterfield Ave., Charlotte, NC 28205.

At least one of the protestors is a member of the Bible Baptist Church of Rev. Jerry Falwell, Rev. Darst said. After the harassment with chain saws, Rev. Darst talked with the Bible Baptist pastor, who told him he was "appalled" at the tactics of his congregants. The following week at least the chain saws were gone.

New Life MCC had planned to move into its new building by now, but legal maneuvering by its opponents has meant the congregation cannot meet inside until further repairs are made to the building. The congregation worships outdoors on their new property Sunday mornings, and continues to hold evening worship in space rented from the Unitarian Church.

Community support has come in the form of a rent reduction from the Unitarians, supportive words from the police captain and fire marshal, and friendly visits from some other neighbors.

Thirty-two people attended the first worship service on the new property. "Half the members are afraid to go to the morning service," Rev. Darst said. "Those who have gone are determined we will stick it out." □

MCC Supports Lesbian Mom

MCC of Richmond, VA, is actively supporting a lesbian couple involved in a nationally publicized child custody case.

On Sept. 7 a Virginia circuit court judge ruled that Ms. Sharon Bottoms was unfit to receive custody of her biological child, a 2-year-old son, solely because she is a lesbian.

"We are committed to doing what churches do best: minister to the personal needs of Sharon and her lover during this time," said Rev. Dwayne Johnson, senior pastor. "We took up an offering of over \$300 to assist them with personal expenses, and are committed to ongoing personal ministry to them."

Rev. Johnson received a rousing ovation from a crowd of 200 at Richmond's Pride Day Celebration Sept. 12 when he boldly proclaimed, "Today I am putting the State of Virginia on notice: You have taken your last child from us!" This line was quoted in Virginia's only state-wide newspaper, the *Richmond Times Dispatch*.

MCC Richmond members are circulating petitions throughout central Virginia calling for the state assembly to overturn Virginia's archaic anti-sodomy law, which was the sole basis for the judge's ruling.

MCC Richmond and a variety of community groups co-sponsored a public rally on the lawn of the Virginia State Capitol. The church is preparing an informational mailing for all UFMCC churches about the injustice in the Virginia courts, outlining ways to help right this wrong. □

Hawaii Explores Holy Unions

The Hawaii MCCs are advocating legalization of lesbian/gay marriages in legislative hearings on the issue being conducted by state lawmakers.

Rev. Maggie Tanis, co-pastor of Ke Anuenue O Ke Aloha MCC in Honolulu, said her church and New Liberation MCC on Maui, pastored by Rev. David Pelletier, are cooperating with the Hawaii Equal Rights Marriage Project in advocacy at public hearings on all the islands.

Between 600 and 1,000 people, including MCC members, are expected to testify at hearings on Oahu Oct. 29. Rev. Tanis said that those planning to testify include the mother of one MCC member and the 15-year-old daughter of another. She will pose the question: "Why can't my dad get married like everyone else?" Testimony also includes a letter of support from Rev. Elder Troy Perry, UFMCC founder and moderator. □



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Taizé Offers Time to Listen To God

Serenity, peace, and time to listen to God — these are the qualities mentioned when MCC members discuss Taizé, a style of worship that is increasingly popular in UFMCC.

An ecumenical community in the small village of Taizé, France, developed this worship style, which features multi-lingual Scripture readings, simple songs in various languages and expanses of silence.

One of the best attended chapel services at the 1993 General Conference followed the Taizé format. In recent years, several MCCs began holding Taizé services on a monthly or weekly basis; they include MCC Los Angeles, MCC San Francisco, and MCC Ventura, CA; and MCC Baltimore, MD. Many other MCCs, especially those in Europe, frequently incorporate Taizé music in their regular worship services.

"Taizé addresses the mystical side of Christian spirituality that we miss in MCC with all our evangelical ethos — which I also like," said Rev. Jim Mitulski, pastor of MCC



Rev. Jim Mitulski leads the Taizé chapel service at the 1993 General Conference.

San Francisco, who coordinated the Taizé service at General Conference. "It's a way to reclaim some form of Catholic worship without the negative content. Besides, it's pretty and it's low-maintenance!" He noted that Taizé services are not difficult to prepare because they do not require a sermon, communion, or even a worship bulletin.

"The MCC-LA Taizé service provides much-needed time for

corporate silent prayer," said Rev. Nancy Wilson, pastor. "Prayer is listening to God as well as speaking to God, and at least during the Taizé service we have time to listen to God. Of all the services at MCC-LA, Taizé comes closest to providing the rest and reflection that are the true purpose of Sunday as a sabbath day." Rev. Wilson added that, "Singing in other languages unifies people who may not speak each other's lan-

guage."

Rev. Jose Gonzalez, MCC-LA Latin Ministry Coordinator, is also enthusiastic about Taizé. "The Taizé service is fresh water for my spirit," Rev. Gonzalez said. "You need to be quiet at some point in order to hear what God wants of you — and it's not easy to be quiet in this world. I like the music, too. By repeating and repeating, it helps me concentrate on God."

The MCC-LA Taizé service is coordinated by Rev. Kittedge Cherry and Mr. Nathan Meckley. "Taizé is especially appropriate for the lesbian and gay community because our spirituality liberates us to communicate directly with God instead of just listening to what other people say about God. Taizé does the same thing," Rev. Cherry said.

"The silence during Taizé is as important to me as the songs and spoken prayer," Mr. Meckley said. "In that manner Taizé worship is like music — the silent rests are as important in creating beauty as the sound of sustained pitches." □

General Council

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of change in organizational development, an especially timely topic because this council meeting included more new members than at any time since the council was formed in 1985. There were two new elders — Revs. Hong Tan and Darlene Garner — plus four of the 13 district coordinators were new in their position since the council last met in March. Among them was Rev. Mia Andersen, European North Sea District Coordinator and the first General Council member ever whose first language was not English.

The council affirmed its previous mission statement as its ongoing vision statement. A vision statement is a compelling statement about the future, which continues to pull an organization forward. The council's vision statement is: "The UFMCC empowers people to bring Christian salvation, Christian community and Christian social action to the world."

The council then developed a new mission statement, which is a statement that defines and communicates the more immediate, measurable goals and objectives of an organization. The new mission statement is: "In the next 18 months, the General Council will facilitate the production and distribution of high quality products to foster growth in membership, spirituality and wholeness in local churches. This will include at least one tool that will support local church leadership in each of the areas of Christian salvation, Christian community and Christian social action."

Next the council developed four points of primary focus in order to achieve the objectives set forth in the new mission statement. Those focuses will be highlighted in upcoming issues of *Keeping in Touch*.

The council discussed ways to restructure their role and the role of staff in order to best implement the new mission statement.

Finally, the council designated a transition team to develop a specific implementation strategy for presentation at the next General Council meeting. The transition team, chaired by Rev. Wilson, will have a meeting Dec. 4-6, again facilitated by Ms. Brock and Ms. Salerno. Transition Team members are Rev. Arlene Ackerman, Ms. Judy Dale, Rev. Don Eastman, Rev. Hong Tan, and Mr. Ravi Verma.

"I am thrilled by the excitement that we experienced as a council as we agreed to move forward together to lead UFMCC to reach new levels of growth in membership and in spirit," said Rev. Troy Perry, UFMCC founder and moderator.

In other business, dozens of appointments were made by the Board of Elders and approved by General Council. The council also recommended policies about the translation process, sexual ethics and a code of conduct.

More information about these appointments and recommendations will be provided in future issues of *Keeping in Touch*. □



Huge masks representing different parts of the world were displayed during opening worship at the Ecumenical Global Gathering of Youth and Students in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil in July. This photo was taken by Rev. Isabel Amorim, UFMCC's representative to the gathering, which was cosponsored by the World Council of Churches.

God Blesses MCC Omaha

A stranger recently donated to MCC Omaha, NE, two lots adjoining the church's property. Last July the congregation celebrated their first anniversary in their present church building. Then, in the final days of August, a complete stranger walked into the church and asked Rev. Matthew Howard if the church would accept the donation of the two vacant lots which adjoin the church property. After a quick consultation with members of the board, Rev. Howard accepted the generous donation.

In the following discussion, the benefactor asked the typical question, "What sort of a church is MCC?" After learning of MCC's outreach to the gay and lesbian community, he paused only a moment before continuing discussion of the details of the transfer. Within a few days, the benefactor returned to sign the final papers which donated two full city lots to the church.

The board of directors of MCC Omaha is currently considering the best use of this property which adjoins the church's meditation garden.

Rev. Howard said the property will probably end up being used as a parking lot to provide 40 to 50 parking spaces. MCC Omaha, which has 108 members, now only has street parking available. "We're really pleased and excited about it," he said. The church is also making preparations to celebrate its 20th anniversary. □

MCC-Washington's Architecture Honored

MCC Washington, DC, has received numerous honors for the architecture of its new building completed earlier this year.

"The architect did an excellent job of listening to who we are and using architecture to reflect that," said Rev. Candace Shultis, associate pastor. "The building, especially the sanctuary, really reflects our emphasis on openness and honesty and light."

MCC-DC and/or its architect, Ms. Suzane Reatig, received the following three awards since September:

- ▼ Honor Award in the New Construction Projects category from the Interfaith Forum on Religion, Art and Architecture.

- ▼ Merit Award in the Architecture category from the Awards Program of the Washington Chapter of the American Institute of Architects.

- ▼ First Award in the Institutional/Government Structure category for masonry from the Masonry Institute, Inc.

Rev. Shultis said both the congregation and the architect were surprised by all the honors they have received. She noted that the church chose to work with Ms. Reatig because she was just opening her own firm and seemed eager to provide more personalized attention than the more established architects.

The church building was also featured in six pages of glossy color photos in the October issue of *Architectural Record*. The article, titled "Labor of Love," begins with a description of UFMCC's ministry in the lesbian and gay community.

"The honors have drawn people to come and see our building," Rev. Shultis said, noting that the church has been visited by classes of architectural students, staff from architectural firms, and members of mainline churches who are in the midst of building projects.

"Over all the years that this congregation has been planning and making decisions about what kind of church building we wanted, I don't think any of us realized what the end product was really going to be until near the end," Rev. Shultis said. "There's a sense of pride in what we accomplished with the building. We're real pleased that our architect is winning all these awards and the building itself gives a sense of who we are." □



A huge window in the MCC-DC sanctuary offers a clear view of heaven.

Around The Fellowship

Praises

Rev. Dusty Pruitt, pastor of **MCC Long Beach, CA**, was invited to speak to the Institute for the Study of American Evangelicals at Princeton University. She spoke Oct. 2 on "The Charismatic and Pentecostal Movement in the Gay/Lesbian Community." She also received an award Oct. 10 from the Los Angeles Gay and Lesbian Religious Coalition.

Open Door MCC, Boyds/Rockville, MD, finished construction of a new church building that will serve as the gay/lesbian community center for upper Montgomery County in Maryland. Pastored by **Rev. Ken Ehrke**, the church has 52 members and accomplished this goal in five years.

Sunshine Cathedral MCC, Ft. Lauderdale, FL, raised \$60,000 Oct. 2-3 with a Miracle Offering Weekend. The offering was conceived when an anonymous donor contributed \$30,000 on the condition that the church match it by raising an additional \$30,000. The offering is designated to pay off the church's 1993 deficit.

An anonymous donor paid \$6,000 worth of invoices to various creditors for **Christ Alive MCC**, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada. "We are seeing a new attitude within the congregation," reports **Mr. Michael Amyotte**, pastoral leader.

MCC Chattanooga, TN, has closed on the building it is purchasing as its new worship space.

MCC Portland, OR, held a Mortgage-Burning celebration Oct. 22-24. On Sept. 7 the church treasurer wrote the check for the final payment of the 15-year mortgage.

MCC members comprised a third of the 50 women at the second **National Gathering of Christian Lesbians Out Together (CLOUT)** Oct. 8-10 in Marin County, CA. **Rev. Coni Staff**, chair of the UFMCC Women's Secretariat, completed her term as chair of the CLOUT Council, and two MCC members were elected to serve on the eight-member CLOUT Council. They are **Rev. La Paula Turner** of Los Angeles, CA, and **Ms. Juanita Majel** of San Diego, CA.

Top 20 Tithes - Sept. 1993

1.	Cathedral of Hope MCC, Dallas, TX	US \$ 6,574.94
2.	Sunshine Cathedral MCC, Ft. Lauderdale, FL	4,323.02
3.	MCC Washington, Washington, DC	2,922.55
4.	MCC of the Resurrection, Houston, TX	2,037.26
5.	MCC San Francisco, San Francisco, CA	1,636.73
6.	St. Luke's MCC, Jacksonville, FL	1,421.43
7.	MCC Los Angeles, Culver City, CA	1,391.18
8.	Church of the Trinity MCC, Sarasota, FL	1,087.20
9.	MCC of Greater Kansas City, MO	1,071.65
10.	River City MCC, Sacramento, CA	818.38
11.	Harvest MCC, Denton, TX	818.17
12.	MCC Tampa, Tampa, FL	806.30
13.	Church of Our Savior MCC, Boca Raton, FL	749.80
14.	MCC New York, New York City, NY	719.69
15.	First MCC of Atlanta, Atlanta, GA	709.19
16.	Agape' MCC, Ft. Worth, TX	695.04
17.	MCC Albuquerque, Albuquerque, NM	694.44
18.	MCC Richmond, Richmond, VA	664.88
19.	MCC Louisville, Louisville, KY	600.12
20.	MCC of the Palm Beaches, West Palm Beach, FL	550.90

{These figures reflect the 10 percent of each local church's monthly income that is reported to Fellowship headquarters.}

Prayers

Rev. Jim Morgan, pastor of **Lamb of God MCC**, Anchorage, AK, is mourning the death of his mother on Sept. 28.

MCC Christchurch, New Zealand, has disaffiliated from UFMCC, effective Oct. 3.

Transitions

Rev. Buddy Truluck becomes senior pastor of **MCC Nashville, TN**, Oct. 31.

The following pastors recently left their positions: **Rev. Ken Caton**, **First MCC of Kansas**, Wichita, KS; **Rev. James Lynch**, **St. John the Apostle MCC**, Fort Myers, FL; and **Rev. Charlotte Strayhorn**, pastor of **Oasis MCC**, Phoenix, AZ.

Cathedral of Hope MCC, Dallas, TX, reports the following staff additions and changes: **Rev. Shelley Hamilton**, director of health ministries; **Rev. Irene Travis**, director of small group ministries; **Rev. Carol West**, associate pastor; and **Ms. Valda Lewis**, who was hired to produce culturally sensitive TV programs for the Dallas gay and lesbian community.

Agape MCC, Ft. Worth, TX, reports the following staff additions and changes: **Rev. Lisetta Thomas**, associate pastor of Christian education and spiritual development; **Rev. Lynn Johnson**, associate pastor of evangelism; and **Rev. Richard Vincent**, associate pastor of pastoral care.

MCC of Richmond, VA, hired **Rev. James Birkitt Jr.**, an ordained Southern Baptist minister, for its recently created position of director of development and administration.

Rev. Leslie Addison was appointed assistant pastor of **New Life MCC**, Berkeley, CA.

Student clergy **Chuck Thompson** is the new interim pastoral leader of **MCC Tri-Cities** in Johnson City, TN.

Top 20 Per Capita - Sept. 1993

1.	SisterSpirit, Portland, OR	US \$ 42.18
2.	MCC/Lower Mainland, Mapleridge, BC	CAN \$ 27.53
3.	MCC Ocean of Life, Costa Mesa, CA	26.04
4.	Open Door MCC, Boyds, MD	25.71
5.	Harvest MCC, Denton, TX	25.65
6.	Open Arms MCC, Rochester, NY	21.43
7.	MCC Hartford, Hartford, CT	21.28
8.	Church With a Vision MCC, Longview, TX	21.25
9.	Christ the Liberator MCC, New Brunswick, NJ	21.02
10.	MCC Augusta, Augusta, GA	20.55
11.	MCC Albuquerque, Albuquerque, NM	20.48
12.	MCC Los Angeles, Culver City, CA	20.34
13.	New Life MCC, Berkeley, CA	20.29
14.	MCC San Francisco, San Francisco, CA	20.21
15.	New Life MCC, Charlotte, NC	19.99
16.	Sunshine Cathedral MCC, Ft. Lauderdale, FL	19.30
17.	MCC in the Country, Spring Valley, CA	19.19
18.	St. Luke's MCC, Jacksonville, FL	19.16
19.	MCC of the Central Coast, Grover Beach, CA	18.40
20.	Overlake MCC, Bellevue, WA	17.70

{These figures reflect average individual weekly offerings to the local church.}

New Canadian District Coordinator Elected

Rev. Marcie Wexler was elected district coordinator of the Eastern Canadian District at the district conference Sept. 25-26.

Rev. Wexler is co-pastor of Chrysalis MCC in Mississauga, Ontario. She said she plans to focus on personal contact and the "coordinator" aspect of her new position.

"Our district covers a large area and the churches tend to feel very isolated," she said. "I want to develop a solid

network and create a cohesive district that can support each other despite the distance." She plans to put together teams of people to provide crisis intervention, spiritual renewal, leadership training and other types of education.

Born in Dallas, TX, she was raised in the Jewish faith in Colorado. She was baptized as an adult into the Episcopal church, but when the rector preached a sermon against homosexuality, she left to join

Pikes Peak MCC in Colorado Springs, CO in 1979. She served as student clergy there and at MCC in the Valley, North Hollywood, CA, and was licensed in 1985. She has also served at Sunrise MCC of the Hi Desert, Lancaster, CA, and MCC Toronto.

She succeeds Ms. Lydia Segal as district coordinator. "The work that Lydia did was phenomenal on a denominational and ecumenical level," Rev. Wexler noted. □



Rev. Marcie Wexler

Praises

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MCC San Antonio, TX, recently presented a new red Honda Civic to Rev. Jim Lewey in appreciation for his 15 years of pastoring the church. Rev. Lewey's pastorate is one of the longest in UFMCC history.

The Gulf Lower Atlantic District approved new work status for: MCC of the High Country, Boone, NC, with Ms. Cindy Long as worship coordinator, and Community Fellowship MCC, Columbia, SC, with Rev. Carol Mull, transfer clergy, as worship leader. Two churches in the district — MCC Myrtle Beach, SC and MCC Wilmington, NC — recently held their first worship services.

Rev. Roy Lenington, pastor of MCC of the Quad Cities, Rock Island, IL, has been invited to join a new interfaith "clergy support network of progressive religious colleagues."

Dr. Mel White, dean of Cathedral of Hope MCC, Dallas, TX, spoke eloquently on behalf of lesbian and gay Christians Aug. 13 on the U.S. national television show "Larry King Live." He has been approached for an appearance on "Sixty Minutes," the top-rated U.S. television program.

Morning Star MCC, Cherry Valley, MA, grew by 35 percent since Rev. Ron Anderson became pastor a year ago, bringing church membership to more than 95. "New ideas about a meta-church structure gave us all a magnificent vision of the future," reports Ms. Elizabeth Berthiaume, Morning Star MCC secretary.

Elder Visits China

Rev. Roy Birchard toured the People's Republic of China from Sept. 20 to Oct. 7 as part of a delegation of U.S. Christians.

Rev. Birchard, who served on UFMCC's Board of Elders from 1974-75, was among 34 people who visited eight cities on the tour sponsored by the Presbyterian Church (USA) and National Council of Churches (USA). They met with national and local Christian leaders and students and faculty of theological seminaries. Rev. Birchard also met with lesbian and gay people, both Chinese and foreign.

"It's something like the United States in the late 1950s or early 1960s," he said. "There are no out-of-the-closet organizations north of Hong Kong."

AIDS, Rev. Birchard learned, is still generally seen as "a foreign problem" except in Yunnan Province in the west near Thailand where in the "Golden Triangle" drugs and prostitution spill over the border. □

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